4. Shri M. K. Kumar
5. Shri M. A. Chindambaram
6. Dr. Prathap C. Reddy
7. Shri G. Sundara Ramaih
8. Prof. J. Philip
9. Shri S. N. Agarwal
10. Shri C. B. Mouli
11. Shri S. K. Nayar

Teaching allowance for Kendriya Vidyalaya Teachers

918. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have announced grant of Teaching Allowance @ Rs. 100 per month to teachers serving in Kendriya Vidyalayas and Union Territories;

(b) whether the teaching allowance has been recommended by the Chattopadhyaya Commission;

(c) whether it is also a fact that All India Kendriya Vidyalaya Teachers' Association has rejected the said allowance;

(d) if so, what is the reaction of Government thereto; and

(e) whether Government propose to hold negotiations with All India Kendriya Vidyalaya Teachers' Association; if so, when?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (e) While the Chattopadhyaya Commission did not specifically recommend introduction of teaching allowance, it had recommended that each secondary teacher and primary teacher should get a benefit of at least Rs. 100/- per month and Rs. 150/- per month respectively. The new pay-scales for school teachers announced on 12-8-1987 which have introduced the "teaching allowance" for teachers and "special allowance" for Vice-Principals/Principals would ensure the above benefit.

The All India Kendriya Vidyalaya Teachers' Association in its memorandum dated 13-10-1987 has, *inter-alia*, protested against the new pay-scales.

While announcing the new pay-scales, the recommendations of the Chattopadhaya Commission as also the postulates of National Education Policy, 1986 were kept inview. There is no proposal to further revise these pay-scales.

Holland's offer to modernise Calcutta Port Trust

919. SHRI DINKARRAO GOVINDRAO PATIL: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Holland Government have offered to help modernise Calcutta Port Trust;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what is the Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) to (c) The Dutch offer has been accepted in the following projects of the Calcutta Port Trust:—

(i) An Association of a Dutch Expert in the river training works under the comprehensive scheme to improve the navigability of River Hooghly; and

(ii) Preparation of a Detailed Project Report of modernisation and augmentation of ship repair facilities at Calcutta (Phase II).

The Dutch Government had also offered to conduct a study for the development of Calcutta Port and preparation of the Master Plan. This was not accepted as